REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed August 10, 2007. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's consideration of the Application. In order to advance prosecution of this Application, Applicants have responded to each notation by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Objections to the Specification

The Office Action objected to the Specification "because it contains an embedded hyperlink and/or other form of browser-executable code." See Office Action, Page 2. Applicants have amended the paragraphs beginning at Line 13 on Page 1, Line 5 on Page 2, and Line 20 on Page 2. Favorable action is requested.

The Office Action objected to the Specification because "Applicant's specification [p. 55-92] includes computer program listing having over 300 lines." Applicants have included a compact disc that includes Pages 55-92 of Applicants' specification as a computer program listing appendix and attached a transmittal letter in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.96(c) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(e). Applicants have amended the paragraph beginning at Line 2 on Page 1 to incorporate the computer program listing appendix by reference in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.96(c) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.77. Favorable action is requested.

The Office Action objected to the Specification because the "title of the invention is not descriptive." Applicants have amended the title to be more descriptive as required by the Office Action.

Section 102 Rejection

Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0023957 to Bau, III et al. ("Bau"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection for the reasons discussed below.

Claim 1 is directed to a method of generating keys for object(s) in a Web Services arrangement. It is determined if at least one object based on at least one of a plurality of Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI) objects has a defined first key. If the at least one object has a defined first key, the defined first key is provided for the at least one object. If the at least one object does not have a defined first key, a second key for the at least one object is provided. *Bau* does not teach or suggest each of the limitations.

For example, Bau fails to teach or suggest "determining if at least one object based on at least one of a plurality of Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI) objects has a defined first key." Bau is directed to a system that generates a unique identifier for a SOAP message passed between a client and web server. See Bau, Column 4, Paragraph 37. "The identifier is passed between the client and web service by way of a SOAP based message header." See Bau, Column 4, Paragraph 37. The generated SOAP message as taught by Bau fails to teach or suggest at least one object based on at least one of a plurality of Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI) objects. Therefore, Bau fails to teach or suggest "determining if at least one object based on at least one of a plurality of Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI) objects has a defined first key."

Similar to Claim 1, Claim 6 includes limitations directed to "determining if at least one object based on at least one of a plurality of Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI) objects has a defined first key." For at least those reasons discussed above with regard to Claim 1, Applicants respectfully contend that *Bau* does not teach or suggest the limitations of Claim 6. For at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully contend that Claims 1 and 6 are patentably distinguishable from *Bau*.

The dependent claims are allowable based on their dependence on the independent claims. Furthermore, Claim 11 is also allowable at least because *Bau* fails to teach or suggest "wherein the plurality of UDDI objects comprises at least one of a Business Entity object, a Business Service Object, a Binding Template Object, a Publisher Assertion Object, and a TModel object." Again, *Bau* is directed to SOAP messages between a client and a server. At

no point does *Bau* teach or suggest UDDI objects. Thus, *Bau* fails to teach or suggest "wherein the plurality of UDDI objects comprises at least one of a Business Entity object, a Business Service Object, a Binding Template Object, a Publisher Assertion Object, and a TModel object." Claim 12 is allowable for analogous reasons.

For at least the reasons above, Applicants respectfully contend that Claims 1-12 are patentably distinguishable from *Bau*. Thus, Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 1-12.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all the pending claims.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this case in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact Luke Pedersen, the Attorney for Applicants, at the Examiner's convenience at (214) 953-6655.

Although Applicants believe no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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